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In re patent application of:

Peter J. Cronk

For: Portable Computing Device With Leather Grain Top



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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR.

- § 1.56 in connection with the above-identified application, which statement is being filed:
  - Together with the present application. [x]
  - Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]
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[ ] After a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, but prior to or with payment of the Issue Fee. [37 CFR § 1.97(d)]

Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the

following requirements have been met:

- [x] No separate requirements are needed.
- [x] No additional fee is required.

### [] <u>Fee Under 37 CFR § 1.97(c)</u>

The fee of \$240.00 for submission of an IDS under § 1.97(c) as set forth in § 1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

### Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.97(d)

This is a petition requesting consideration of an IDS under § 1.97(d). The petition fee of \$130.00 set forth in § 1.17(i)(1)accompanies this petition.

## [] Certification Under 37 CFR § 1.97(e)

Each item of information contained in this statement was either

- (1) cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement; or
- (2) not known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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